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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 54/228 of 22 December 1999, 55/207 of 20 December 2000 and 55/258 of 14 June 2001,

Recalling also its resolution 55/278 of 7 August 2001, by which it approved the statute of the United Nations System Staff College,

Reaffirming the role of the Staff College as an institution for system-wide knowledge management, training and continuous learning for the staff of the United Nations system, in particular in the areas of economic and social development, peace and security and internal management,

Having considered the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the first biennial report of the Director of the Staff College on the work, activities and accomplishments of the College,[1] pursuant to paragraph 6 of resolution 55/278,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the Secretary-General's note and the accompanying report;[1]

2. *Welcomes* the progress made by the United Nations System Staff College, since the entry into force of its statute on 1 January 2002, in pursuing the objectives set forth therein;

3. *Calls upon* all organizations of the United Nations system to make full and effective use of the facilities of the Staff College;

4. *Invites* the Staff College, in developing and implementing its work programme, to focus, inter alia, on activities that can serve to maximize system-

* On behalf of the European Union and the acceding countries (Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia).

[1] A/58/305.

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wide coherence and effectiveness in supporting the coordinated and integrated follow-up to conferences, including, in particular, the United Nations Millennium Declaration,[2] and improving service delivery to Member States;

5. *Encourages* the Staff College to provide strategic leadership in order to increase operational effectiveness, promote inter-agency collaboration and strengthen management culture by its own example, including the development of new systems of performance management, flexible and collaborative work structures and cost-effective means of delivering services to clients and beneficiaries;

6. *Calls upon* relevant institutions of the United Nations, including the United Nations University, the United Nations Institute for Training and Research and the Staff College, to collaborate closely to these ends;

7. *Welcomes* the financial and other support extended by Member States to the work of the Staff College, and invites the international community to strengthen its support for the College, through voluntary contributions in accordance with article VII of the statute, to enable the College to consolidate its distinctive contribution to fostering a cohesive management culture across the United Nations system that is responsive to the requirements of Member States;

8. *Invites* the Secretary-General to submit in due course a report on the work, activities and accomplishments of the Staff College to the Economic and Social Council.

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[2] See resolution 55/2.